

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of producing a laminate material comprising the steps of:
 - a. extruding or providing a thermoplastic film;
 - b. forming a pattern of shapes defined by thin and thick areas in said film without rupture in the film at the pattern areas;
 - c. exposing said film to hot air while said film is under tension, such that said hot air causes polymer within said film to flow from said thin areas to said thick areas, thereby creating a pattern of open spaces within said film;
 - d. bonding said film to at least one nonwoven material, whereby a netting and nonwoven material laminate is formed.
2. (canceled)
3. (currently amended) A method of producing a stretch material comprising the steps of:
 - a. extruding or providing a thermoplastic film;
 - b. forming a pattern of closed shapes within said film without rupture in the film at the pattern areas, such that there are thicker and thinner areas in said film, corresponding to the pattern;
 - c. exposing the patterned film to hot air while said film is under tension, such that said hot air causes polymer within said film to flow from said thin areas to said thick areas, thereby creating a pattern of open spaces within said film; such that a netting material is formed;
 - d. bonding said netting material to a sheet material.
4. (original) The method of claim 3 wherein said sheet material is bonded to said netting material while said netting material is under tension.
5. (original) The method of claim 3, wherein said sheet material is a nonwoven web.

6. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein said nonwoven web is a necked nonwoven web.

7 – 18 (cancelled)